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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND AMENDMENT

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 27, 2003 and Advisory Action mailed November 13, 2003, Applicants respectfully submit the following arguments set forth below and request favorable action thereon.

Amendments to the Specification are reflected on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

Applicants request a 2-month extension of time.

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is filed herewith.

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Applicants respectfully request correction of the Attorney Docket No. in the United States Patent Office records. Please replace with Attorney Docket No. -016295.0857--.

TITLE

Please amend the title to read: METHODS OF OBTAINING AND USING MANUFACTURER COMPUTER HARDWARE CONFIGURATION DATA.